**REMARKS** 

As a result of the foregoing amendment, Claims 1-13 have been cancelled

and Claims 14-25 have been added. Accordingly, Claims 14-25 are pending in this

application.

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 10/053,326 filed

January 17, 2002 which is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/499,717

filed on February 8, 2000 and is directed to the subject matter in non-elected Claims 10-12 in

parent U.S. Application Serial No. 09/499,717. Accordingly, Applicants have hereinabove

amended the specification to include a cross-reference to related applications.

Applicants have also hereinabove amended the claims to cancel Claims 1-13

and add Claims 14-25. Claims 14-16 are essentially the same as cancelled Claims 10-12.

Support for Claims 17-20 is found in the specification at page 6, lines 20-36. Support for

Claims 21 and 22 is found in the specification at page 7, lines 10-14 and 32-33. Support for

Claims 23 and 24 is found in the specification at page 8, lines 11-17. Support for Claim 25 is

found in the specification at page 9, lines 7-8, 28-30 and 32-34. No new matter has been

added in new Claims 14-25.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is now in condition

for examination on the merits and prompt notice of allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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